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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (DATE IN SECOND LINE OF TEXT OF  
PARAGRAPH ONE SHOULD READ APR 4, 1960  
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TAGS:PFOR, SG, US

SUBJ: NATIONAL DAY MESSAGE FOR PRESIDENT SENGHOR

REF: STATE 073098

1. MALI FEDERATION WITH SENEGAL AND FRENCH SUDAN AS MEMBERS, BECAME INDEPENDENT FROM FRANCE APR 4, 1960 BUT REMAINED IN FRENCH COMMUNITY. WHILE DATE OF DISSOLUTION OF FRENCH COMMUNITY REMAINS DEBATABLE POINT, COMPLETE INDEPENDENCE ACTUALLY WAS DECLARED ON JUNE 19, 1960 AND SIGNED ON JUNE 22. ON AUG 20, 1960, SENEGAL UNILATERALLY DISSOLVED MALI FEDERATION AND DECLARED ITSELF INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC WHILE FORMER FRENCH SUDAN RETAINED NAME, MALI. THUS, SENEGAL ACTUALLY EMBARKED ON 15TH YEAR AS REPUBLIC IN 1974 AND THIS YEAR WILL BEGIN 16TH YEAR.

2. SENEGAL ON APRIL 4 WILL CELEBRATE FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE FROM FRANCE AS NATIONAL HOLIDAY. JUNE 19/22 AND AUG 20 ARE NOT RPT NOT CELEBRATED AS NATIONAL HOLIDAYS.

3. THEREFORE RECOMMEND TEXT OF MESSAGE READ AS FOLLOWS:  
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QUOTE: ON SENEGAL'S NATIONAL COMMEMORATION DAY (FETE NATIONALE), I AM PLEASED TO CONVEY TO YOU AND YOUR COUNTRYMEN THE CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES, TOGETHER WITH MY OWN PERSONAL GREETINGS. AS SENEGAL CELEBRATES ITS FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY IN INDEPENDENCE, I AM CONFIDENT THAT THE TIES OF TRADITIONAL FRIENDSHIP AND MUTUAL INTEREST WHICH LINK OUR GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES WILL BE STRENGTHENED.

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4. WOULD APPRECIATE REPLY BY IMMEDIATE TEL.  
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